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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
John G. Woods, et al.) Examiner: D. Wilson
Group Art Unit: 1713
Application No.: 09/341/287)
Filed: July 8, 1999)
For: PROCESS FOR)
HYDROXYALKYLATING)
CARBOXYLIC ACIDS-)
FUNCTIONALIZED MATERIALS) November 28, 2000

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 3,
2000 (Paper No. 6), kindly amend the above-identified
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend Claims 1, 2, 9 and 14 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A process for preparing [an] a
dihydroxyl-functionalized material by hydroxyalkylating a
dicarboxylic acid-functionalized material, said process
comprising the step of: